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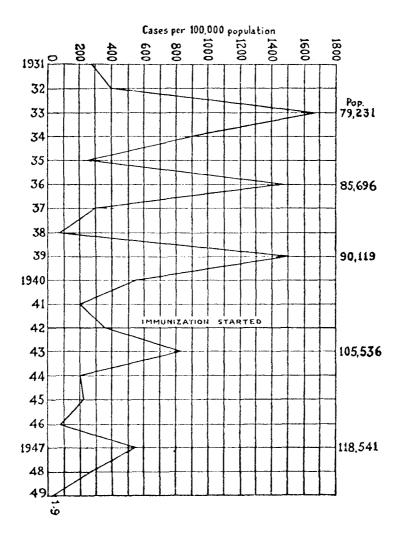
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WHOOPING COUGH MORBIDITY

Edmonton, 1931-1949



This disease has been characterized by a high peak of incidence every third year until Sauer-type vaccine was introduced in 1942. Since that time these peaks are markedly lowered and are farther apart. This has occurred during a period of rapid increase and overcrowding in our population.

Annual Report of the Medical Officer of Health

Chairman and Members, Local Board of Health, Edmonton, Alberta.

Gentlemen:

Herewith is submitted a report of the activities of our Board and certain other health agencies of the city during 1949:

BIRTHS:

Our birth rate per 1,000 population showed a slight decrease to 30.8 but the total of 4,246 births, due to an increasing population, is the greatest ever reached and was an increase of 308 from the previous year. A further 2,268 births to non-residents serves to indicate the considerable outside area to which our city hospitals are providing service.

DEATHS:

The general death rate at 7 per 1,000 population was the lowest since 1939. The two greatest causes of death—heart disease and cancer—both showed a reduced rate.

The infant mortality rate of 23.3 per 1,000 living births was the lowest ever recorded in our city. However, this still meant 99 infant deaths.. Of these, 37 per cent were due to prematurity. Many of these latter deaths may be avoided if expectant mothers seek adequate pre-natal care.

COMMUNICABLE DISEASES:

Serious communicable disease was at a minimum during the year. Two cases of diphtheria in unprotected children served to indicate the need for a persistent effort in prevention. Twenty-eight cases of poliomyelitis gave about the expected number following the extensive epidemic of the previous year. Whooping cough, which in recent years has been our most serious common infection, is giving way to immunization since an effective vaccine became available in 1942. Only three cases of this disease were reported during the year, with no deaths.

Our Baby and Pre-school Clinic continued a valuable service in supervision of infant feeding and physical development of children, and 2,757 home visits were made in connection with special problems. Appreciation of this service was indicated by an increase of 1,885 in attendance to a total of 15,272 for the year.

Our Immunization Clinic is now providing protection against various diseases for a high percentage of the babies and pre-school children of our city. An attendance of 24,811 was an increase of 6,634 over the previous year.

We believe that these clinics are in good part responsible for the very low infant mortality rate in our city.

SANITATION

Our rapidly increasing population and still crowded dwelling accommodation continues to produce many new problems in sanitation. Lack of moderately priced living space still forces us to tolerate accommodation which is no longer desirable. This is a major source of trouble and worry for many of our citizens, particularly those with children.

Sanitation of restaurants, stores and other food-handling establishments has continued to improve. Our inspectors have done much useful educational work in this connection, and their efforts are producing good results.

Sanitary supervision of our milk supply has been carefully carried out on dairy farms, in milk plants and wagons, and in our laboratory. Samples

tested for purity numbered 14,804. Ninety-nine and one-half per cent of our city milk is now safeguarded by pasteurization.

The city water supply was checked for contamination daily, and also the water of swimming pools when these were in operation.

All animals slaughtered in the two non-exporting abattoirs were inspected by our veterinarian who condemned 31,640 pounds of diseased meats.

GENERAL:

We have reached the stage in the development of our city when to maintain adequate public health protection our services must be re-organized and expanded.

Our clinics are operating close to the capacity possible in the present restricted space. These services should be decentralized for the convenience of mothers in outlying areas of our city.

The majority of larger cities across Canada have found it more economical and efficient to consolidate as far as possible the public health services for which the city is responsible. This includes both Board of Health and School Medical Services. Duplication of effort and cost is avoided, and continuity in health supervision of children at all ages is made possible. It would seem rational and most effective at this time to develop our public health services as a co-ordinated whole, rather than as piecemeal projects.

The rapid expansion demanded of civic services generally confronts our municipality with very formidable expenditures in the immediate future; but unless protective health services keep pace with our growing and increasingly concentrated population, a dangerous hazard to the public health will be created.

In view of the unprecedented and difficult situation facing our city, it was to be expected that the Provincial Government would accord our citizens the same assistance in public health protection as is currently given other areas of the province, and that a fair portion of the Dominion Government Grants, distributed through the Provincial Government, would be made available to us. Our request for such assistance has been refused, however, chiefly on the ground that the city has the ability to pay for its own services. This reasoning applies with perhaps even greater force to other areas presently being assisted by the Provincial Government, and also to the provincial services themselves. It is difficult, therefore, to understand the reluctance to provide this urgently needed assistance for our city health services.

To meet the present rapidly increasing demand for preventive health services in our city, without outside assistance, it will be necessary for our Board to request Council to increase substantially the portion of the City's revenue now allocated for this purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

G. M. LITTLE,

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

	EXPENDITURE		
		1948	1947
1. Salaries		\$ 56,385.26	\$ 55,758.72
2. Supplies	•••••	1,804.88	1,518.28
3. Transportation		5,491.88	5,702.17
4/6. Telephones, Sun	dries, Uniforms	1,859.52	1,849.79
7. Pensions		5,858.10	4,579.93
		\$ 71,389.72	\$ 69,408.89
	REVENUE		
Permits	\$ 412.50		
Meat Inspection	802.40		
Prov. Govt. Grant	2,500.00		
License Dept.	1,500.00		
	\$ 5,214.00	5,214.90	5,328.74
Cost per Capita .41		\$ 66,174.82	\$ 64,080.14

EXPENDITURE CLASSIFIED—1949

		Administration	Communicable Disease	Dairy Inspection	Food Inspection	Laboratory Service	Public Health Nursing	Sanitation	Vital Statistics	Bath House	TOTALS
1.	Salaries	\$ 9,602.88	\$5,296.26	\$2,243.73	\$4,256.20	\$3,268.77	\$10,649.39	\$19,950.93	\$1.027.19	\$ 89.91	\$56,385.26
2.	Supplies	1,112.12	176,25	***********		83.77	133.11	129.75	33.75	136.21	1,804.96
3.	Transportation	480.00	799.24	1,076.67	300.00	466.55	605.70	1,763.72			5,491.88
1.	Telephones	116.20	65.76	18.00	17.76	20.64	55.56	82.20			376.12
5.	Sundries	420.85	254.14	27.80	5.75	19.90	482.96	36.60			1,248.00
ô.	Uniforms		*** ***********************************			***************************************	117.39	118.01			235.40
Ŧ.	Pensions	5,848.10									5,848.10
		\$17,580.15	\$6,591.65	\$3,366.20	\$4,579.71	\$3,859.63	\$12,044.11	\$22,081.21	\$1,060.94	\$226.12	\$71,389.72
		24.7%				5.5%		31.0%			100%

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS

Area of City, 26,778 acres including 1,000 acres of water and 2,147 acres in Parks.

	1949	1948	1947	1946	1945
Population	137,469	126,609	118,541	114,976	111,745
Persons per acre of land	5.0	4.7	4.4	4.2	4.1
Cost per capita	.41	.51	.45	.44	.41
School enrolment	21,452	19,859	19,071	18,988	17,714
Natural increase of population	3,282	2,935	2,920	2,283	1,831
Total births	6,514	5,928	6,019	5,455	4.725
Resident births only	4,246	3,938	3,838	3,251	2,695
Rate per 1,000 population	30.8	31.1	32.3	28.2	24.1
Total stillbirths	97	90	109	82	83
Resident stillbirths only	57	54	62	51	53
Rate per 1,000 births	13.4	13.7	16.1	15.7	19.6
Total deaths	1,566	1,609	1,482	1,576	1,425
Resident deaths only	964	1,003	918	968	864
Rate per 1,000 population	7.0	7.9	7.7	8.4	7.7
Total deaths under 1 year of age	161	204	201	197	159
Resident deaths under 1 year of age	99	126	123	111	84
Rate per 1,000 living births	23.3	31.9	32.0	34.1	31.1
Maternal deaths (city only)	2	1	1	5	6
Rate per 1,000 births	.47	.25	.27	1.5	2.2
Marriages	2,539	2,490	2,374	2,205	2,098
Rate per 1,000 population	18.4	19.6	20.02	19.1	17,4

VITAL STATISTICS

	Births		
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Total births	6,514 4.246	5,928 3,938	6,019 3,838
Male	2.197	2,121	2,008
Female	2,049 44	$\frac{1,817}{42}$	1,830 39
Resident illegitimate births	211	188	145
Total illegitimate births	441	436	373
Age group of mothers— 15-19 years	249 5.9%	241 6.2%	192— 5.0%
20-24 years	1,332—31.2%	1,239— $31.0%$	1,251 - 32.6%
25-29 years 30-34 years	1,426—33.6% 813—19.2%	1,317—34.1% 745—18.9%	1,240—32.3 % 763—19.9 %
Over 34 years	426-10.1%	386-9.8%	392—10.2%
Born in Institutions, 4,239 or	99.8%—born 6	elsewhere, 7.	
Maternal Parentage: Canada	9 750 99 5 <i>ot</i> .	3,463-87.9%	9 005 94 467
British Isles	245-5.6%	290— 7.4%	3,095—84.4% 473—13.2%
Europe and Asia	146-3.5%	114 3.0%	161- 4.2%
U.S.A. Other countries		$\begin{array}{cccc} 62-&1.5\% \ 9-&.2\% \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{cccc} 92-&2.3\% \\ 17-&.4\% \end{array}$
	Stillbirths	/-	_, _,,,
	1949	1948	1947
Total stillbirths	97	90	109
Resident only Male	$\begin{array}{c} 57 \\ 31 \end{array}$	$\frac{54}{30}$	62
MaleFemale	26	24	$\begin{array}{c} 31 \\ 31 \end{array}$
Born in institutions	57	54	62
Cause of Foetal deaths: Dystocia	21	10	On.
Prematurity	$\frac{21}{6}$	13 8	$\frac{23}{6}$
Toxaemia of pregnancy	1	7	5
MalformationPlacenta and membranes	13 9	8 6	9 8
Traumatism and overwork		****	ĭ
SyphilisOther conditions	 7	1 11	 10
other conditions		11	10
Total deaths	Deaths	1,609	1.482
Resident deaths only	964	1,003	918
Male Female	$\frac{580}{384}$	$\frac{600}{403}$	553 365
Rate per 1,000 population	7.0	7.9	7.7
	Racial Origin		
Canada	_	282-28.1%	279—30.4%
British Isles		399—38.8%	355—38.6%
U.S.A.	$180 - 18.6\% \\ 54 - 5.6\%$	$197 - 19.7\% \\ 65 - 6.6\%$	196-21.4% $40-4.4%$
Others		60- 5.8%	48— 5.2%
INF	ANT MORTA	LITY	
Total deaths under 1 year	161	204	201
Resident deaths under 1 year	99	126	123
MaleFemale	$\begin{array}{c} 50 \\ 49 \end{array}$	80 46	$\begin{array}{c} 72 \\ 51 \end{array}$
Infant mortality rate	00.9	91.0	
per 1,000 births	23.3	31.9	32.0

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PRINCIPAL CAUSES OF DEATH, 1949

			1949					1948		
	Total	Male	Female	% of Total Deaths	Rate per 100M Population	Total	Male	Female	% of Total Deaths	Rate per 100M Population
90- 95	Diseases of the heart287	183	104	29.7	208.7	291	191	100	29.0	238.5
45— 55 83	Cancer and other malignant tumors	91	68	16.4	115.6	160	87	73	15.9	126.3
*-	vascular origin101	50	51	12.5	74.1	113	54	59	11.1	89.2
163—198 157-161	External causes	57	16	7.4	53.0	57	40	17	5.6	45.8
107—108	peculiar to 1st year of life 68 Pneumonia, broncho	38	30	7.0	49.4	87	55	32	8.8	60.8
	pneumonia. 47	27	20	4.8	41.4	48	29	19	4.7	38.7
13 22	Tuberculosis, all forms 25	20	5	2.5	18.1	23	18	15	2.2	26.0
130132	Nephritis	12	8	2.1	14.5	17	8	9	1.6	13.4
162	Semility	9	7	1.6	11.6	6	2	4	.6	4.7
61	Diabetes Mellitus 11	4	7	1.1	8.0	8	2	6	.7	6.3
	807	491	316	83.6		820	486	334	81.7	

MORTALITY FROM HEART DISEASE

Year	Total Deaths	Deaths From Heart Disease	Percentage of Total Deaths	Rate per 100M Population
1949	964	287	29.7	208.7
1948	1003	291	29.0	238.5
1947	918	260	25.9	219.3
1946	968	262	27.0	227.8
1945	864	232	26.8	207.6

MORTALITY FROM CANCER

Year	Total Deaths	Deaths From Cancer	Percentage of Total Deaths	Rate per 100M Population
1949	964	159	16.4	115.6
1948	1003	160	15.9	126.3
1947	918	143	15.5	120.6
1946	968	146	15.1	126.9
1945	864	148	17.1	132.4

MORTALITY FROM INTRACRANIAL LESIONS OF VASCULAR ORIGIN

Year	Total Deaths	Deaths From This Cause	Percentage of Total Deaths	Rate per 100M Population
1949	964	101	12.5	74.1
1948	1003	113	11.1	89.2
1947	918	85	9.2	71.7
1946	968	97	10.0	84.3
1945	864	93	10.7	83.2

MORTALITY FROM TUBERCULOSIS

Year	Total Deaths	Deaths From Tuberculosis	Percentage of Total Deaths	Rate per 100M Population
1949	964	25	2.5	18.1
1948	1003	33	3.2	26.0
1947	918	28	3.0	23.6
1946	968	30	3.0	26.0
1945	864	28	3.2	25.0

MORTALITY FROM PNEUMONIA

Year	Total Deaths	Deaths From Pneumonia	Percentage of Total Deaths	Rate per 100M Population
1949	964	47	4.8	41.4
1948	1003	48	4.7	38.7
1947		56	6.1	47.2
1946	968	49	5.0	42.6
1945	864	43	4.9	39.3

MORTALITY FROM EXTERNAL CAUSES

Year	Fotal Deaths	Deaths From External Causes	Male	Female	Suicide	Homicide	Automobile Accidents	Other Accidents	Percentage of Deaths	Rate Per 100M Population
1949	964	73	57	16	10	3	20	40	7.4	53.0
1948	1003	57	40	17	6		17	34	5.6	45.8
1947	918	56	46	10	8		17	31	6.1	47.2
1946	968	83	64	19	25	1	17	40	8.3	72.2
1945	864	59	42	17	9		11	39	6.8	52.8

ISOLATION HOSPITAL

During the year 1949, six hundred and seven patients were admitted. There were 17 outpatients and 12 patients died.

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Scarlet Fever	111	Measles	119
Diphtheria	15	Mumps	20
Diphtheria carriers	5	Rubella	
Poliomyelitis	52	Whooping cough	6
Meningitis (meningoccoccic)		Vincent's Angina	10
Meningitis (tuberculosis)	3	Strep. Throat	
Tuberculosis	13	Ringworm	
Paratyphoid fever	1	Syphilis	
Erysipelas	22	Gonorrhoea	
Chickenpox		Vaginitis	1
The deaths included:		Other diseases	
Diphtheria	3		
Meningitis (T.B.)		Tuberculosis	1
Measles		Septicemia	1
Whooping cough		Others	

IMMUNIZATION RECORD—1949

Diphtheria	Board of Health	Edmonton Public School Board	Edmonton Separate School Board	Private Physicians
1st Dose	3,708	1,619	243	690
Re-inforcing Doses	686	4.248		
Total Doses		8,303	243	
Whooping Cough	•	•		
1st Dose	3,456	829		537
Reinforcing Dose	2,261	170		
Total Doses		2,088		
Scarlet Fever	•	,		
1st Dose	603			21
Reinforcing Dose	320	****		****
Total Doses	2,932			
Smallpox	2,715	3,142	248	1,000
Typhoid		,		•
1st Dose	140	****		33
Reinforcing dose	••••	•		
Total Doses	422			
Tetanus				
1st Dose	75	****		16
Total Doses	247			
T.A.B.T.				
1st Dose	58			7
Total Doses	173	****		
Typhus				
1st Dose	5	••••		****
Total Doses	10			
Cholera				
1st Dose	1			•
Total Doses	2	****		••••
Dick Test	157			17
Schick Test	102		/	1
Anti-Measles Serum				3

IMMUNIZATION CLINIC	
No. of persons receiving first doses	10,703
No. of persons receiving reinforcing doses	2,949
Total procedures	37,910

9 Attendance 24,811 No. of clinics held 249 99.6 Average attendance

SCHOOL MEDICAL SERVIC	ES	
	Public School Board	R.C. Separate School Board
Complete examinations	6,385	845
Number reported with defects		216
Number reported without defects	4,031	629
Parents present at examinations	3,701	411
Homes visited by nurses	593	179
Talks to classes		••••

COMMUNICABLE DISEASE 1949-1945

COMMON	IOM	1111	DIGE		1010	1010				
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Chickenpox						•	304		2	
Diphtheria		1	2	• • • •	6					••••
Diphtheria carriers			12	•	4	• • • • •	4	•	5	•
Dysentery (Amoebic)	3		2	1						
Dysentery (others)				****					****	****
Encephalitis					3	1	4	2		1
Erysipelas	. 17		22		17		23		19	
Food Poisoning				****			****			
Influenza		3				2		6	****	2
Hepatitis (infectious)					1					
Mononucleosis (infectious)	_			****	1					
Malaria	,			•	3					
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Measles			2	1	2		2,500		4	
Meningitis (Meningococcic)					300				1.880	
Mumps		1	196	1			1,378		1.000	
Paratyphoid		•	7		1		1			
Paratyphoid carrier			1			****				:::
Pneumonia (lobar)		6		2		5	1	8	2	15
Ringworm (microsporon audouini)	. 7									
Ringworm (others)										
Rubella	788		118	****	87		183		277	
Poliomyelitis			88	6			8			
Scarlet Fever			83		79		173		374	****
Septic Sore Throat			2		1		2		7	
Trachoma										
Tuberculosis (Pulmonary)		23	140	26	98	20	78	20	64	26
Tuberculosis (other forms)		2	110	7	5	-8	ž	10		2
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Typhoid carriers			1	****	9		2		3	
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Gonorrhoea			808	****	666		624		479	•
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Syphilis		4	95	5	104	5	81	4	108	5
Type Undetermined			16	****	4		12		5	
	6,590	41	4,181	51	4.423	48	6.201	51	5,341	53
Morbidity per 1,000 population			33.0	~-	37.2		53.9		47.6	
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Communicable disease was responsible for 41 of 4.2% of the 964 City deaths during 1949.

Of the deaths from communicable disease, 31 were over 19 years of age, 25 were due to all forms of Tuberculosis and 4 died frim Syphilis.

3,080 or 46.7% of the communicable diseases were due to measles; 1,209 or 18.4% were due to Chickenpox; 768 or 11.5% were Rubella; 424 or 6.4% were Mumps and 121 or 1.8% were due to Scarlet Fever.

N	o. of Cases	Percent of Cases	No. of Deaths	Percent of Deaths
Pre-school cases—1 to 5 years	1,997	30.3%	9	22.0%
School cases—6 to 14 years		49.0%	1	2.4%
Over 14		18.6%	31	75.6%
Age not stated	216	3.1%		

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Dysentery (others)							,		:	91	
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TUBERCULOSIS CONTROL			
Kinsmen's Club Serice:	1949	1948	
Total visits by Nurse	1986	2585	
Visits to T.B. Cases	610	709	
Visits to suspect cases	123	125	
Visits to contact cases	1102	1596	
Co-operative visits	107	115	
Not seen, moved, etc.	44	40	
Provincial Tuberculosis Division: Examinations:	0.1	21	
Active cases		61	
Suspects	- 00	123	
Contacts		339	
Non-Contacts		640	
Total examinations		3210	
Total X-rays	3169	3420	
Tuberculin tests made		1703	
Tuberculin tests positive	~	FOF	
Tuberedim been positive immediate	516	585	



WELL BABY AND PRE-SCHOOL CLINIC

	1949	1948	1947	1946	1945
Number of clinics	249	232	240	200	200
Attendance under 1 year of age	10429	9594	10260		
Attendance over 1 year of age	4833	3793	1690		
Total attendance	15272	13387	11950	8167	7420
Average attendance	61	58	50	41	37
New admissions under 1 year	2768	2417	2564	1881	1523
New admissions over 1 year	829	784	611	328	281
re-admissions	121	123	109	97	91
Referred to Family Doctor	135	112	107	31	25
Out-of-town cases	356	335	225	153	166

Dr. Mildred Newell and Dr. Margaret Collins were in attendance at 82 clinics.

There were 2,757 home visits made. These were to feeding and other problem cases and to as many of the youngest new babies admitted, as possible. 3559 telephone calls in regard to feedings, etc., were answered.

On 176 days during the year students were present for observation. These were made up as follows:

- 24 B.Sc. and Public Health Nurses from the University of Alberta.
- 92 student nurses from the University Outdoor Clinic and Royal Alexandra Hospital.
 - 41 medical students.
 - 5 new staff members, Provincial Department of Health.

VICTORIAN ORDER OF NURSES

	1949	1948	1947	1946	1945
Pre-natal visits	165	295	171	198	422
Obstetrical (nursing care)	9	6	11	0	8
Obstetrical (advice)	1353	1470	1447	1333	1182
Newborn (nursing care)	559	711	754	657	559
Newborn (health supervision)	1576	1358	1303	1796	1654
Pre-natal clinics		50	50	59	51
Total attendance	391	550	528	577	768
Average attendance		11	10	12	15
Mothers enrolled	58	114	114	115	116

SANITATION

INSPECTIONS:		
Dwellings	423	771
Hotels, lodging houses, apartment blocks	260	218
Schools, blocks, public buildings	74	12
Stores, business establishments	98	86
Food handling establishments	6,600	5,562
Garbage cans, etc.	746	723
Streets, lanes, yards, dumps, etc.	326	398
Miscellaneous	1,930	1,738
	10,457	9,508
Re-inspections	•	382
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NOTICES:		
Written	381	281
Verbal	958	1,540
Garbage	180	311
COMPLAINTS:		
	400	200
Received from public		609
Justified	576	543
Received from other departments		15 82
Referred to other departments	77	82
The complaints were made up as follows:		
Garbage, streets, lanes, etc.	232	218
Vermin	31	37
Housing, plumbing and drainage	250	243
Food and drink	_	49
Miscellaneous	73	63
LICENSES:		
License applications investigated	2,952	2,824
PLUMBING:		
Sewer and water notices issued	15	12
Sewer and water installed, buildings removed, etc.	14	22
Extension of time granted	9	29
Plumbing permits issued	2,990	1,928

Plumbing permits issued for old buildings

Privies eliminated through installation of plumbing

Number of septic tanks installed

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DISINFESTING STATION:		
Baths	3,401	3,182
Verminous		6
Scabies	151	198
Disinfested	151	205
No. of Men Washing Clothes	2,497	2,419
Units Washed	7,491	7,257
SCAVENGING CLEAN-UP WORK	10.004	10.000
Refuse removed during Clean-up Week (cubic yards)	12,624	10,360
ANIMALS, BARNS, STYES:		
Cow owners	247	305
Hog owners	78	83
Goat owners	23	23
Fur farm owners	76	86
FOOD: Samples submitted to Provincial Laboratory Foodstuffs condemned (lbs.)		20 35,937
WATER:		
Water samples taken	20	54
Negative	12	24
*Positive	8	29
*Suspicious		1
Wells chlorinated	1	23
Wells placarded		3
Ice Samples	1	5
Rinse water samples		22
*-Wells condemned or further samples taken after ch	Iorination	•

HOUSING:

Inspections of 423 dwellings and 260 hotels, lodging houses, apartment blocks, etc., were made for vermin, overcrowding and other insanitary conditions and the necessary notices issued.

POISON GAS FUMIGATION:

Hydrocyanic acid gas eliminated vermin from ten establishments.

ENFORCEMENT OF REGULATIONS:

Prosecutions		1	
Owner of	of house fined \$5.00 and costs or seven days for failing	g to	maintain
	g system in good working order.	_	

FOOD INSPECTION

MEATS INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED

Beef	1949	1948	1947
No. of carcasses inspected	2,763	3,026	3,942
Carcasses condemned	21	20	7
Portions condemned	234	253	385
Weight (lbs.) of carcasses and portions condemned		13,340	9,390
weight (10s.) of carcasses and portions condemned	15,500	10,040	3,330
Veal			
No. of carcasses inspected	2,168	1,886	2,953
Carcasses condemned	4	10	4
Portions condemned	69	35	64
Weight (lbs.) of carcasses and portions condemned	1,955	2,440	1,690
Mutton			
No. of carcasses inspected	404	367	912
Carcasses condemned	9	8	9
Portions condemned	15	2	50
Weight (lbs.) of carcasses and portions condemned	645	430	650
weight (ibs.) of carcasses and portions condemned	040	450	000
Pork			
No. of carcasses inspected	2,798	2,831	5,699
Carcasses condemned	21	33	58
Portions condemned	834	760	1,965
Weight (lbs.) of carcasses and portions condemned	15,660	16,540	35,535
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Totals			
No. of carcasses inspected	8,133	8,110	13,506
Carcasses condemned	55	71	78
Portions condemned	1,152	1,050	2,464
Weight (lbs.) of carcasses and portions condemned	•	32,750	47,265
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CARCASSES FOUND TO BE INFECTED	O WITH	Т.В.	
Beef			
Infected	18	25	16
Percent	.65	.82	.40
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Pork			
Infected	556	515	1,128
Percent	19.83	18.20	19.77

CHIEF CAUSES OF CONDEMNATION, 1949

Beef:	Carcasses	Portions	Weight Lbs.
Abscess	Carcasses	62	875
Abscess multiple	2		725
Actinomycosis	1	95	2,265
Bruised	4	8	1,910
Tuberculosis	_	24	445
Pneumonia	6		2,900
	_	20	220
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Emaciation	3 1	••••	1,250
Dying condition			550
Peritonitis	-	****	450
Gangrene		****	550
Xanthosis	1		375
Miscellaneous (mastitis, jaundice, congestion, adhesions	1	2 5	865
	21	234	13,380
Veal			
Abscess		24	275
Actinomycosis		15	225
Parasites		11	110
Tuberculosis		5	65
Emaciation			225
Pneumonia	3		850
Miscellaneous (adhesions, jaundice, bruised, congestion)		14	205
	4	69	1,955
Mutton			
Abscess multiple	3		190
Bruised		2	120
Emaciation		****	110
Pneumonia			130
Miscellaneous (parasites, peritonitis)	. 1	13	95
	9	15	645
Pork			
Abcess multiple			1,175
Arthritis	. 2		325
Bruised	. 3	15	895
Contamination		52	870
Parasites		83	370
Pneumonia	. 1	2	425
Tuberculosis	. 6	614	10,075
Miscellaneous (abscess, adhesions, peritonitis, sexua odor, enteritis, inf. rhinitis)	Į	68	1,525
,	21	834	15,660
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DISEASED ANIMALS

Beef Veal Mutton Pork Total amount of meat condemned	$62 \\ 16 \\ 657$	1948 245 38 6 605 32,750	1947 329 63 37 1,486 47,265
FOODSTUFFS CONDEMNED BY INS			40
Canned goods		1	43
Canned goodsFruit and vegetables			
Canned goodsFruit and vegetables		1	
Canned goods Fruit and vegetables Meat Fish		1 30,085	
Canned goodsFruit and vegetables	13 185	1 30,085	140
Canned goods Fruit and vegetables Meat Fish	13 185 108	1 30,085 65	140
Canned goods Fruit and vegetables Meat Fish Poultry	13 185 108 27,334	1 30,085 65 270	140 167



MILK AND WATER, 1949

Inspections: Producer-distributors, raw milk Producer-shippers, milk Pasteurization plants Vehicles Others, complaints, etc.	336 4 	No. of Inspections 25 392 165 208 9
Licenses and permits Retail milk certificates issued	 	521 376 4 339 297
Samples Milk samples taken, retail Milk samples taken, shippers Cream samples taken Special milk samples Special cream samples Chocolate milk samples Ice cream samples	 	827 14,804 22 5 24 82 30
TESTS—Milk Standard plate counts Coliform tests Phosphatase tests Methylene blue tests Butter fat tests Sediment tests	 	827 21 676 14,804 384 408
Restaurants Swab tests of utensils	···	203
Water Standard plate counts Coliform tests Chlorine content checks Raw river water plate counts		292 292 260 29
Swimming Pools Plate counts Coliform tests		418 418

No. of producer-distributors of raw milk, two. The Edmonton milk supply is now 99.5 percent pasteurized.

Daily per capita milk consumption approximately .85 pints.

The swab tests noted above were taken, using the "Jamieson Technique" on restaurant utensils as educational work. The visual demonstrations have been well received by both the restaurant operators and employees. They have been instrumental in improving methods of handling and practical sterilization of utensils in our eating establishments.



